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San Diego Police Department

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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN ENCANTO

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the late night shooting death of a male in the Encanto neighborhood.

At 12:08 a.m., officers were dispatched to the 6100 block of Brooklyn Avenue on a report of gunshots heard. They arrived to find the victim, a 53-year-old male, lying to the rear of a residence. The male had suffered an apparent gunshot wound, and he died within one hour at a local hospital.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim was drinking with some friends when two males arrived. One of the males fired a handgun in the air, causing the victim's companions to scatter. Several minutes later, citizens heard a single gunshot. The victim was found shortly thereafter.

The victim has been identified, but his name is being withheld pending family notification.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.

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